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I believe I am the original, first and sole Inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint Inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled LOSSLESS VARIABLE-BIT SIGNATURE COMPRESSION, the specification of which

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